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SUBJECT: Litigation Search Results for US Patent 5,921,998

Attached are the litigation search results for US Patent 5,921,998. The search was conducted in three databases: Inpadoc, Lexis/Nexis, and Questel. Here is a summary of the results.

- Patent family and legal status (from Inpadoc)
- Legal status and reassignment information (from Questel)
- Brief descriptive information (from Lexis/Nexis)

There were no litigation alerts or patent status information on the patent in Questel. There were no law cases, law journal articles, or current news articles on the patent in Lexis/Nexis.

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Basic Patent (Number,Kind,Date): US 5921998 A 990713

Patent Family:

Patent Number	Kind	Date	Application Number	Kind	Date
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